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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: Meeting

AGENCY: Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Education

ACTION: Notice of Open Teleconference Meeting

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming open teleconference meeting of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance. This notice also describes the functions of the Advisory Committee. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend. DATE AND TIME: Monday, August 6, 2012, beginning at 2:00 p.m. and ending at approximately 3:00 p.m. (EST).

ADDRESS: Office of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Capitol Place, 80 F Street, N.W., Room 412, Washington D.C. 20202-7582.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. William J. Goggin, Executive Director, Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Capitol Place, 80 F Street, NW, Suite 413, Washington DC 20202-7582, (202) 219-2099.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance is established under Section 491 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended by Public Law 100-50 (20 U.S.C. 1098). The Advisory Committee serves as an independent source of advice and counsel to the Congress and the Secretary of Education on student financial aid policy. Since its inception, the congressional mandate requires the Advisory Committee to conduct objective, nonpartisan, and

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independent analyses on important aspects of the student assistance programs under Title IV of the Higher Education Act. In addition, Congress expanded the Advisory Committee's mission in the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 to include several important areas: access, Title IV modernization, early information and needs assessment and review and analysis of regulations. Specifically, the Advisory Committee is to review, monitor and evaluate the Department of Education's progress in these areas and report recommended improvements to Congress and the Secretary.

The Advisory Committee has scheduled this teleconference for the sole purpose of electing officers to serve a one-year term beginning October 1, 2012.

Space for the teleconference meeting is limited and you are encouraged to register early if you plan to attend. You may register by sending an email to the following email address: tracy.deanna.jones@ed.gov. Please include your name, title, affiliation, complete address (including internet and email, if available), and telephone and fax numbers. If you are unable to register electronically, you may fax your registration information to the Advisory Committee staff office at (202) 219-3032. You may also contact the Advisory Committee staff directly at (202) 219-2099. The registration deadline is Thursday, August 2, 2012.

Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the teleconference meeting (i.e., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, and/or materials in alternative format) should notify the Advisory Committee no later than

Wednesday, August 1, 2012 by contacting Ms. Tracy Jones at (202) 219-2099 or via email at tracy.deanna.jones@ed.gov. We will attempt to meet requests after this date,

but cannot guarantee availability of the requested accommodation. The teleconference

site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TTY) may call the

Federal Information Relay Service (FRS) toll free at 1-800-877-8339.

Records are kept for Advisory Committee proceedings, and are available for

inspection at the Office of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance,

Capitol Place, 80 F Street, N.W., Suite 413, Washington, D.C. from the hours of

9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday, except Federal

holidays. Information regarding the Advisory Committee is available on the

Committee's website, www.ed.gov/ACSFA.

Dated: July 11, 2012

Dr. William J. Goggin, Executive Director

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